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In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted" mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 18, 2001, Applicants submit the following documents to complete the filing requirements of the above-identified application:

- 1. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- 2. Sequence Listing on diskette;
- 3. Verified Statement and
- 4. Return copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted.

Applicants also submit herewith the following document for the above-identified application:

1. Petition for Extension of Time of 1 month.

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The documents submitted herewith complete the filing of the above patent application. This form is being submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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